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233 Pounds of Marijuana Seized Near Airport Runway

CHULA VISTA, Calif. – A Border Patrol Agent following footprints from the border area discovered 233 pounds of marijuana next to the runway at the Jacumba Airport Thursday afternoon.

The faint tracks crossed the runway and led the agent approximately 15 feet into the brush. Four large duffel bags were located containing the marijuana. No suspects were found.

The marijuana was turned over to the custody of Operation Alliance.

Since Oct. 1, 2002, Border Patrol Agents in San Diego have seized more than 4,600 pounds of marijuana with an estimated national street value in excess of \$3.2 million.

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